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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), of Application Serial No. 09/631,414, filed on August 3, 2000, by Kenichi MORITA, Keisuke HASHIMOTO and Kenichi TAKAHASHI, entitled MULTI-LINE COMMUNICATION APPARATUS AND METHOD OF USE.

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A Petition for Three-Month Extension of Time, extending the response period to October 15, 2004, is being filed concurrently herewith.

Please enter the Amendment, filed concurrently herewith, wherein claims 1, 4, 6, 14-16, and 19 incorporate new amendments thereto, and claims 3, 5, 17, 18, and 20 have been cancelled.

A Response Transmittal and Fee Authorization form authorizing the amount of \$1,770.00 (\$790.00 for the filing fee for a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), and the three month extension fee of \$980 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3)), to be charged to Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP's Deposit Account No. 18-1260 is enclosed herewith in duplicate. However, if the Response Transmittal and Fee Authorization form is missing, insufficient, or otherwise inadequate, or if a fee, other than the issue fee, is required during the pendency of this application, please charge such fee to Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP's Deposit Account No. 18-1260. Please credit any overpayment to Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP's Deposit Account No. 18-1260.

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